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MEXICAN NATIONAL SENTENCED IN COCAINE CONSPIRACY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Mexican national was sentenced in federal court today for conspiring to possess with intent to distribute cocaine.

Oscar Ortuno, 28, a citizen of Mexico, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Gary A. Fenner this morning to two years in federal prison without parole.

On June 24, 2004, **Ortuno** pleaded guilty to conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute cocaine from March 20 to April 8, 2004. During the sentencing hearing, **Ortuno** waived his right to contest deportation at the conclusion of his prison sentence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney David DeTar Newbert. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

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